

USEPA 2003 Brownfields Workshops

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Region 9 Brownfields Team is hosting six California workshops to assist communities interested in applying for brownfields assessment, cleanup, and revolving loan fund grants. The grants provide funding to assist communities that plan to return contaminated (or potentially contaminated) properties back to productive use. The workshops will focus on helping participants understand the basic elements of the grant programs, the process for submitting grant proposals, and the required proposal elements. Representatives from USEPA Region 9 will be present to help answer your questions.

This will be the second year that funding for brownfields grants will be awarded under the new Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Act (SBLRBA) signed by President Bush on January 11, 2002. The final guidelines for applying for brownfields grants will be available by early October on USEPA's Brownfields Program Website at: <http://www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/index.html>

What topics will be covered in the workshops?

- What is a brownfield?
- What are the types of funding available for brownfields?
- How and when to apply for a brownfields grant?
- What are the key elements of a brownfields proposal?
- What assistance is available for preparing a grant proposal?

Who should attend?

Individuals interested in preparing proposals for brownfields funding or deepening their understanding of the brownfields program, including:

- State,
- Tribal, or
- Local governmental officials;
- Representatives from Land Clearance Authorities or other quasi-governmental entities;
- Regional councils;
- State sanctioned redevelopment agencies
- Representatives of non-profit organizations; and,
- Other individuals interested in partnering with an eligible entity to apply for brownfields funding.

Note: See the proposal guidelines for a complete list of the entities eligible to apply for these grants.

How much does the workshop cost?

All workshops are **free** of charge. Pre-registration is **NOT** required.

For information regarding the workshop agenda and attendance, please contact either:

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Wallace Woo at (415) 972-3270 or woo.wallace@epa.gov

For information regarding workshop directions and accommodations, please contact the individuals listed below.

Locations, Dates, and Times

Fresno

October 2nd 10:30-1:30
San Joaquin Conference Room
Central Valley RWQCB
Fresno Branch Office
1685 "E" Street
Fresno, CA 93706-2020
Phone: (559) 445-5116
Contact: Kevin Shaddy (DTSC) (559) 297-3929

Sacramento

October 6th 9:30-12:30
Board Room
Cal Center
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, CA 95826
Phone: (916) 255-3545
Contact: Megan Cambridge (916) 255-3727

Oakland

October 8th 9:00-12:00
Ronald V Dellums Federal Building
1301 Clay Street
Main Auditorium, Third Floor, North Tower
Oakland, CA

Redding

October 9th 9:00 – 12:00
Main Conference Room
Central Valley RWQCB
Redding Branch Office
415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100

Phone: (530) 224-4845
Contact: Eric Rapport (530) 224-4998, Karen Clementsen (530) 224-4852

San Diego

October 15th 1:00 - 4:00

Regional Board Meeting Room

San Diego RWQCB

9174 Sky Park Court

Suite 100,

San Diego, CA 92123-4340

(858) 467-2952

Contact: John Anderson (858) 467-2975

Los Angeles

October 16th 9:00 - 12:00

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Offices

911 Wilshire, (in downtown L.A.)

12th Floor Conference Room

Los Angeles, CA

Contact: Mike Schultz (213) 452-3373